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EXAMINER: James L. Swiger III
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METHOD FOR PERFORMING
MENISCAL REPAIR**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 20, 2006 setting forth a two-way restriction requirement between:

Group I (Claims 1 to 14) drawn to an instrument kit; and

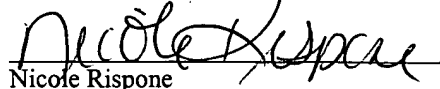
Group II (Claims 15 to 18) drawn to a method,

Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, Group I (Claims 1 to 14) in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 121.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)

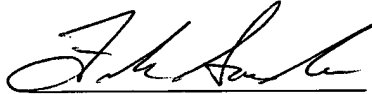
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In view of the foregoing, early and favorable consideration of this application is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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